

SPLENDID ACHIEVEMENTS OF MINES DURING YEAR

With silver at bedrock price for several months, a price that would not have enabled the mines of Tonopah to continue at a profit if it were not for the gold content of the quartz, Tonopah concluded the year with a most excellent showing. Its production in 1915 was 636,128 dry tons, worth \$11,974,922, slightly over the estimate made by the Bonanza early in the year.

To evidence that the appreciation in the price of the metal after the great slump, and the gold content of the ore, made mining profitable, it is only necessary to state that the following dividends were paid during the twelve months: Jim Butler Tonopah, \$171,802.10 (with a similar amount de-

clared for payment in January), totaling \$359,300.10, exclusive of the January disbursement; Tonopah Belmont, \$750,016, totaling \$830,522; Tonopah Extension, \$188,609, totaling \$801,651; Tonopah Mining Company of Nevada, \$1,050,000, totaling \$14,350,000; West End Consolidated, \$178,856, totaling \$536,548.

In addition to the above are the following dividend payers that made no declaration in 1915: McNamara, \$40,399; Montana Tonopah, \$530,000; Tonopah Midway, \$250,000. The foregoing not including companies that declared dividends in the early days of the camp, particularly excepting the leasing companies and the unincorporated leases, which would raise the

foregoing figures perhaps half a million dollars, but with the omission of dividends that cannot be accurately learned, the companies that cut melons during the year disbursed to shareholders \$2,329,274.10. The stock issued at par valued in the companies amounts to \$6,949,507, which means an income on the stock at par of 33.4 per cent. The total dividends, exclusive of the \$500,000 distributed in the early days, paid by Tonopah mining companies thus far has reached the grand total of \$24,698,420.10.

At present there is more actual development work in progress in Tonopah than in years and more men employed.

Following are the companies that

are actually operating: Tonopah Mining Company of Nevada, Tonopah Belmont Development company; Jim Butler Tonopah Mining company, West End Consolidated Mining company, Cash Boy Consolidated Mining company, Tonopah Extension Mining company, North Star Mining company, Midway Consolidated Mining company, Rescue-Eula Mining company, Uragilla Mining company, Gypsy Queen Mining company, Great Western Mining company, Table Mountain Mining company, Tonopah Bonanza Mining company, Buckeye Belmont Mining company, Mizpah Extension Mining company, Halifax Mining company, together with operations in the Merger and Victor under Extension

control, and heavy lease work in the Midway and Montana. There are about 1800 men employed in mines and mills. The payroll and supply bills each month amount to about \$400,000.

During the year the heads were kept as low as possible to ensure profit, because of the low price of silver. The mills operating in the district were the Desert Power & Mill company, a subsidiary to the Tonopah Mining company, the two mills of the Tonopah Belmont Development company, one at Tonopah and the other at Millers, the West End mill and the Extension mill. The McNamara mill was for a time operating on mill sweeps, the product of which may be added

to the production of the year.

Many betterments have been made in the mills and their output increased, while the extraction is now closer than ever before. One pleasing feature of the developments is that the greater depth attained in all the properties during the year has not given to the ores any base qualities, making extraction more difficult and expensive, but, if any change has taken place, it is to improve the gold ratio.

Eminent geologists and mineralogists are directing the operations in the mines and the metallurgical skill of those in charge of the mills is unquestioned and is amply proven by their success.

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DORMANT VOLCANO IN SOUTH SEAS COMES BACK BELCHING FORTH FIRE

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—The eruption of Fanaelei, a long dormant volcanic island of the Friendly group, 2500 miles south-east of Honolulu, is reported by steamer captains as again active. They said they saw the volcano sending up smoke, ashes and pumice. This explains recent conditions reported by mariners that the Pacific ocean was filled with floating pumice which made navigation very difficult.

JAMES J. MCQUILLAN AGREED UPON FOR NEXT POSTMASTER OF TONOPAH

The postmastership is settled. The job goes to James J. McQuillan, according to the following letter received this morning by the Bonanza from Senator Key Pittman:

U. S. Senate, Dec. 31, 1915.

The Tonopah Bonanza,

Tonopah, Nevada.

Permit me through your columns to assure the various candidates for

appointment as postmaster in Tonopah, and their numerous supporters, that Senator Newlands and myself have been compelled to give most careful consideration to many questions in selecting a postmaster for Tonopah.

There were seven candidates originally for the position. Each was

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GERMAN SPIES IN CHINESE DISGUISE AIMING TO CRIPPLE MAIN ARTERY OF TRAVEL

RUSSIANS FIND ENEMIES PROWLING ALONG TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY

(By Associated Press.)

HARBIN, Jan. 5.—Three German prisoners, disguised as Chinese, were arrested recently on a Trans-Siberian train at Tsitsikar, 200 miles west of Harbin.

The conductor saw one of the men looking out of a window in the corridor of one of the coaches, while the train was crossing a large bridge over Nonna river. When questioned, the man in Chinese garb, refused to talk. The conductor pulled off the passenger's cap and cue and discovered that the man had brown hair and had stained his skin the color of a Chinese.

A search through the train resulted in the discovery of three other passengers similarly disguised. All of the men were detained at Tsitsikar.

A heavy guard has been placed over all the bridges on the Trans-Siberian line. So many attempts have been made upon bridges since the beginning of the war that special squads now board all trains and examine the passengers before a train is permitted to cross a bridge.

MAURICE J. SULLIVAN, lieutenant governor of Nevada, was a passenger this morning for the capital.

AMERICAN MARINES ARE ATTACKED BY HAYTIENS

(By Associated Press.)
PORT AU PRINCE, Jan. 5.—In a revolutionary outbreak, American marines were attacked. One rebel was killed. No Americans were hurt.

SON OF CANTATRICE DIES AT SAN DIEGO

PRIMA DONNA COMES FROM CHICAGO TO BEDSIDE OF HER SON

(By Associated Press.)

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 5.—Hans Schumann-Heink, son of Madame, the singer, died today, following two weeks of pneumonia. His mother came from Chicago and was at the bedside when her son died. The deceased was aged 28 years, and is survived by a widow, two children, several brothers and sisters. He had been in the real estate business in San Diego.

NO ATTACK MADE ON ADMINISTRATION

INTERNATIONAL SITUATION IN THE MINDS OF BOTH HOUSE AND SENATE

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The expected attack on the administration's foreign policy for its course in the submarine crisis failed to materialize in the senate, which adjourned after less than ten minutes on motion for observance of the death of Justice Lamar. Earlier, Chairman Stone of the foreign relations committee, told the president that he had heard intimations that some senators were planning to assail the administration's course, and other to attack his Mexican policy. The international situation was uppermost in the minds of both house and senate, as they reassembled for the real work of the session after the holidays.

MOOSE CHALLENGE ELKS TO BASKETBALL GAME

The broad antlered Moose have come out of the woods and are eager to display their agility in the fashionable pastime of basketball. They have pitched upon the gentle Elks, who will try to accommodate the challengers.

BASKET BALL LEAGUE BROADENS SCOPE BY TAKING IN CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS

As a spur to interest in basketball, the Nevada Interscholastic league has this year worked out a plan whereby the champion high school teams of the state are to be adjudged. Herebefore the league has promoted only an annual track and field meet at Reno to which all high schools of Nevada and a few nearby California counties were invited, and at which

suitable prizes were awarded successful athletes. This broadened scope of the league is a welcome one and already games are being played under this plan.

The scheme is this: Four districts are established. The eastern district, including Wells, Elk, Elko and Winnemucca; the southern district in-

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COMPULSORY SERVICE FOR THE BRITISH

TERMS OF THE NEW LAW DISCUSSED

IRELAND IS EXEMPT FROM APPLICATION OF THE WAR MEASURE

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 5.—Under the terms of the compulsory military service bill, introduced in the house by Lord Asquith, all males between the ages of 18 and 41, who are bachelors or widowers without children dependent on them, are liable for military service. Ireland is excluded from the terms of the measure.

Lord Asquith opened with an analysis of the figures in the Derby report, emphasizing the fact that nearly 3,000,000 had offered their services. He said: "These encouraging figures ought to convince our allies, and our enemies, that the people of this country have their hearts in the war."

British casualties in the battle of Loos, France, last September totalled 2378 officers and 57,288 men, was the announcement in the house.

ORDER SHOW CAUSE IN CONTEMPT CASE

In the case of the Tonopah Extension Mining company against the West End Consolidated Mining company, an order to show cause on contempt has been made by Judge Averill, that the defendant and its superintendent, J. W. Chandler, appear on January 7, at 2 o'clock, to show cause why they should not be adjudged guilty of and punished for contempt of court for violation of an injunction issued July 24, 1915.

Pending further order of court the defendant and the said J. W. Chandler are enjoined from doing any work and extending any drifts, crosscuts or workings away from said vein mentioned in an affidavit by John L. Dyman, a mining engineer employed by the plaintiff company. The only work defendant or its agents are permitted to do is to drift upon said vein as in said modifying order prescribed and that said crosscut running in a northwesterly direction must be forthwith discontinued.

HARRY F. GRADY of San Francisco is stopping at the Mizpah.

RUSSIANS WIN AND GERMANS RETREATING

TOWN EVACUATED IN BESSERABIA

PETROGRAD REJOICES OVER FRESH SUCCESSES ON THE BORDER

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The Russian campaign in Bessarabia takes undeniable first place in the war news with the news Agency announcement from Petrograd that the Austro-German army has evacuated Czernowitz.

LAWMAKERS READY TO FIGHT NEW LAWS

ELECTION TANGLE MUST STAND ACCORDING TO THE MAJORITY

(By Associated Press.)

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 5.—Strong opposition to the passage of any bill to correct the election law tangle or to purchase the California building for the state normal school, will develop at the special legislature, which opens this afternoon, according to the general prediction of lawmakers. The biggest fight on election changes is expected in the assembly, where the administration claims a majority of forty-five, or two above the required majority.

LAST SURVIVOR GOES

(By Associated Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 5.—William Durst, aged 76, sole survivor of the crew of the Monitor that fought the Merrimack, is dead.

GURNEY GORDON went to Goldfield this morning on mining business.

PROTECTION OF THE IMPERIAL VALLEY AGAINST FLOOD FROM THE COLORADO

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Construction of a levee sixteen feet high, and nine miles long on the present site of Volcano Lake level, for the protection of the Imperial valley against Colorado river floods, is recommended in the war department report to congress. It will cost not to exceed \$1,250,000.

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5.—Volcano lake is in Mexican territory. Lower California. The dyke as contemplated would protect over 1,000,000 acres.

COWARDLY BACHELORS MUST FIGHT FOR THE GLORY OF GREAT BRITAIN

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The Earl of Derby's report on the recruiting campaign explains why the cabinet found it necessary to bring forward a measure for the compulsory enlistment of unmarried men. More than 2,500,000 men in England, Scotland and Wales were enrolled, but, after those engaged in indispensable industries,

and the medically unfit have been winnowed out, about 1,100,000 men available to bear arms will remain. There are 650,000 unmarried men who failed to come forward, and the government will now attempt to redeem the Asquith pledge that married men should not be called so long as a considerable fraction of unmarried are held back.

CONGRESS CLEARS UP THE RECORD

ROOSEVELT CALLED LIAR BY COMMITTEE

ADMINISTRATION WAS NOT PERNICIOUSLY ACTIVE OVER SHIPPING

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Charges that administration officials acted in the interest of foreign firms in urging the passage of the government ship purchase bill are held to be baseless in majority and minority reports filed by a senate committee. Both reports found shipping interests blameless of illegal activity in their opposition to the measures. The majority denounced Roosevelt for failing to appear before the committee to testify concerning his published assertion that the president and Bryan "endeavored, in the interest of certain foreign firms, to secure for the United States power to purchase interned ships of one of the belligerents."

AMERICAN PREACHER WAS ON THE PERSIA

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Jan. 5.—The American embassy has received a report that Rev. Homer Salisbury, an American, was a passenger aboard the Persia, but was not included among the survivors.

OFFICIALS RE-ELECTED

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—Max Thelan was today re-elected president of the railroad commission. Charles Detrick was re-elected secretary.

Advertise in the Bonanza.

ST. PETERS CLOSED AFTER DESECRATION

FIRST BLOOD SPILLED IN THE BASILICA

EDIFICE WILL NOT BE OPENED UNTIL AFTER RECONSECRATION

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, Jan. 5.—The Basilica in St. Peter's is closed because Antonio Giovannolo attempted suicide by shooting. The wound was slight, but as blood was spilled, the basilica was closed and will not be re-opened until it has been reconsecrated.

DELIGHTFUL DINNER PARTY GIVEN AT GOURDIER HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Gourdier gave a delightful dinner part last evening at their home near the Red Plume mine. The house was beautifully decorated with potted flowers and holly. The dinner was a sumptuous affair, there being a large turkey and a goose with all of the trimmings. Those present were Dr. Cowden, W. F. Som-

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THEATRE
FEATURES

TONIGHT
"THE GREEN CLOAK"
Featuring
IRENE FENWICK
and
PATHE CARTOON COMEDY

TOMORROW
"EVIDENCE"
Featuring Lillian Tucker and Edwin August
and Pathe Weekly

Matinee 1:30. Night 7 and 8:30
Admission 10c-15c.
Reserved Seats on Sale at Theater